



Town of Blades
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***Town Council Meeting
BVFC, East Fifth Street, Blades, DE
7:00PM
November 14, 2022***

Present: Mayor Robert Atkinson, Vice-Mayor Mike Smith, Councilman Donald Trice, Councilman Pierre Gaither, Sr., Councilwoman Nancy McAdams, Councilman William Stang, Police Chief Martin Willey and Town Administrator Lisa Marks.

Mayor Robert Atkinson officially opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Opening Prayer by Pierre Gaither, Sr. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes from the October 10, 2022, Town Council Meeting: Motion to accept in written form by Vice-Mayor Mike Smith; Seconded by Councilman Donald Trice. Motion passed, Vice-Mayor Mike Smith – Yes, Councilman Donald Trice – Yes, Councilman Pierre Gaither, Sr. – Yes, Councilwoman Nancy McAdams – Yes, Councilman William Stang – Yes. Carried

Police Report – Submitted and read by Police Chief Martin Willey.

BEDCO – No report at the time of this meeting.

P&Z – Submitted by Vice-Mayor Mike Smith. November 7, 2022, 7:00 pm – Approved 3 new home applications, continued 1 new home application until December 5, 2022 meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

❖ Committee Reports:

- Housing/Code – Report submitted by Code Enforcement Officer, Marcus Trammell. Read by Vice-Mayor Mike Smith.
- Water report - Reports submitted and read by Councilwoman Nancy McAdams.
- Streets – Report submitted and read by Councilman William Stang.
- Parks & Cemeteries – Report submitted and read by Councilman Pierre Gaither, Sr.
- Police – Report submitted and read by Councilman Donald Trice.
- Mayor's Report – Report submitted and read by Mayor Robert Atkinson.
- Town Administrator Report – Report submitted and read by Town Administrator Lisa Marks.



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❖ New Business:

- Accountant – Councilman Pierre Gaither, Sr, made a motion to Table discussion; Seconded by Councilwoman Nancy McAdams. Motion passed, Vice-Mayor Mike Smith – Yes, Councilman Donald Trice – Yes, Councilman Pierre Gaither, Sr. – Yes, Councilwoman Nancy McAdams – Yes, Councilman William Stang. – Yes. Carried

❖ Old Business:

- Third Reading Ordinance 435 – Contractor’s Licenses and Fees – Councilman William Stang made a motion to Table final reading of Ordinance 435 – Contractor’s Licenses and Fees until Spring; Seconded by Vice-Mayor Mike Smith. Motion passed, Vice-Mayor Mike Smith – Yes, Councilman Donald Trice – Yes, Councilman Pierre Gaither, Sr. – No, Councilwoman Nancy McAdams – Yes, Councilman William Stang. – Yes. Carried

❖ Good of the Community

Citizen inquired about the status of delinquent tax accounts. Residents with past due taxes and payment arrangements have been upholding their agreements.

Citizen inquired about the 2023 Budget. The 2023 Budget prep is in progress. Council Budget Workshop Agenda will be posted online and on the bulletin board in Town Hall’s lobby.

Citizen inquired about the progress of the RT 13 Crossing Project. Our engineer is working with the new property owner that we need an easement from.

Citizen inquired if it would be possible for Council to use PA System. Council has access to a PA System and will request to have it available during future meetings.

Entered into Executive Session: N/A

Exited Executive Session: N/A

Councilman Pierre Gaither, Sr. motioned to adjourn the November 14, 2022, Blades Town Council Meeting, Seconded by Vice-Mayor Mike Smith.

Mayor Robert Atkinson adjourned the Blades Town Council Meeting at 7:53 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Raines
Administrative Assistant